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Dear Dr. Osman:

We have prepared a set of patent drawings and enclose copies of the drawings. The first four drawings, I believe, are self-explanatory. The drawing Figures 5-8 are quite exaggerated but do demonstrate the objective of the invention, i.e., to compress the bone graft. Figures 5 and 6 illustrate the resilient members on the male part of the spinal plate, while Figures 7 and 8 illustrate the resilient members on the female part of the plate.

We are proceeding with the preparation of the application and hope to have it to you within the next week or two. If you do have any comments on the drawings, however, please advise as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

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